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Re: Filing of New U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Title: **"Method And System For Determining Maximum Power Backoff Using  
Frequency Domain Geometric Signal To Noise Ratio"**  
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Dear Sir:

Attached is a new patent application for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office including fifty-nine (59) pages of Specification, five (5) pages of Claims (numbered 1-39), one (1) page Abstract, thirty-four (34) sheets of Drawings (labeled Figs. 1a-32), an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney, and an Assignment for recordation.

This application claims priority from provisional application Serial No. 60/308,587, filed July 31, 2001, entitled Method and System For Duplex Symmetric Transmission.

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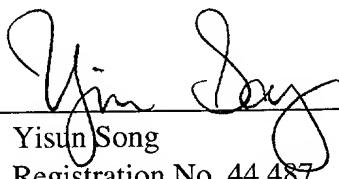
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